

# Intra-Technique Combination at DGFI: some aspects related to DORIS

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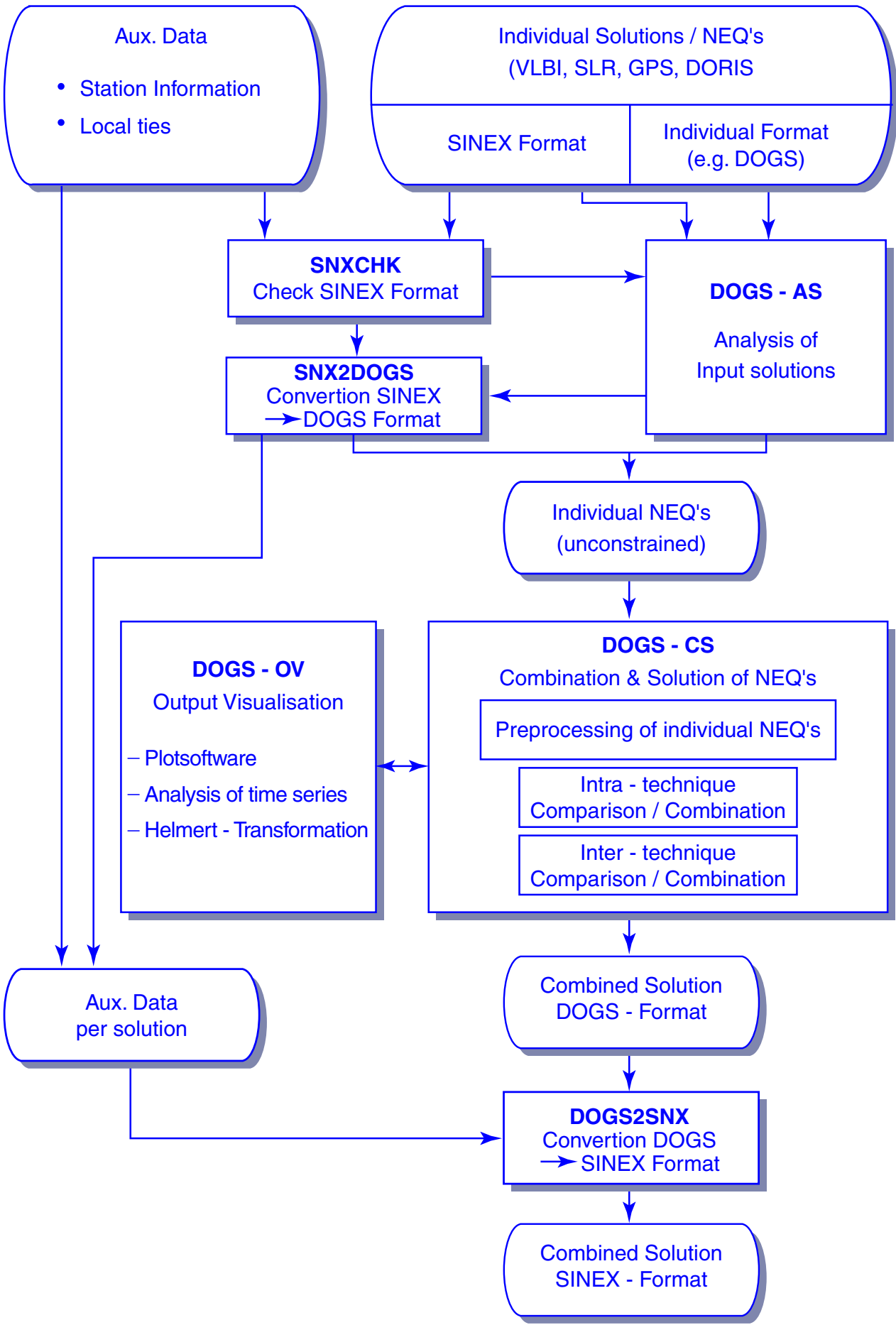
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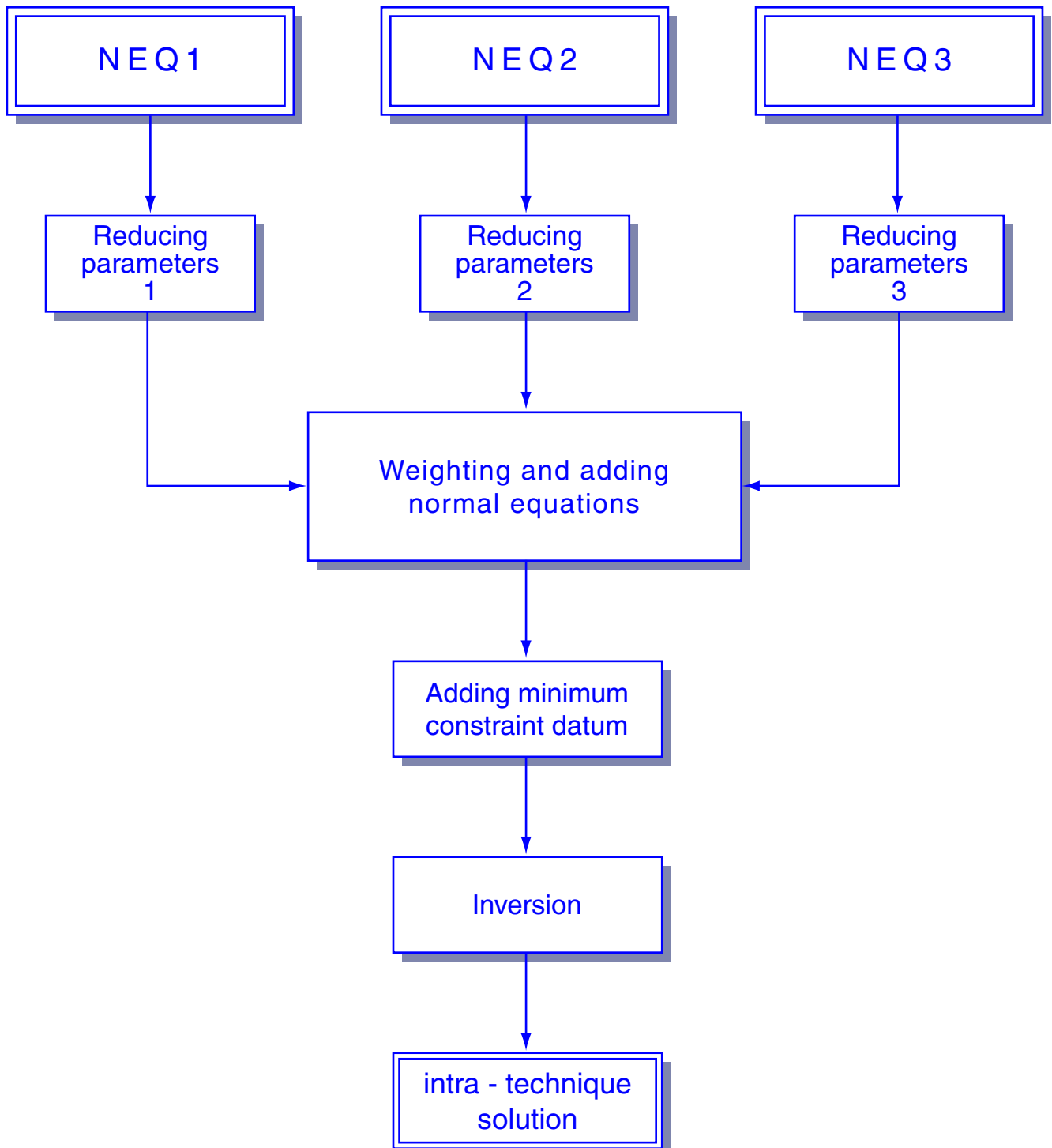
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# Intra - technique Combination



# Data Sets

<i>Solution</i>	<i>Data Span</i>	<i>Stations original</i>	<i>Stations included</i>	<i>Datum</i>	<i>Source</i>
(IGN)02D04	1993-2002	111	109	loose / free net.	CDDIS
(GRGS)00D01	1993-1998	70	69	minimum dat.	ITRF 2000

# Helmert-Transformation on ITRF 2000

## Positions:

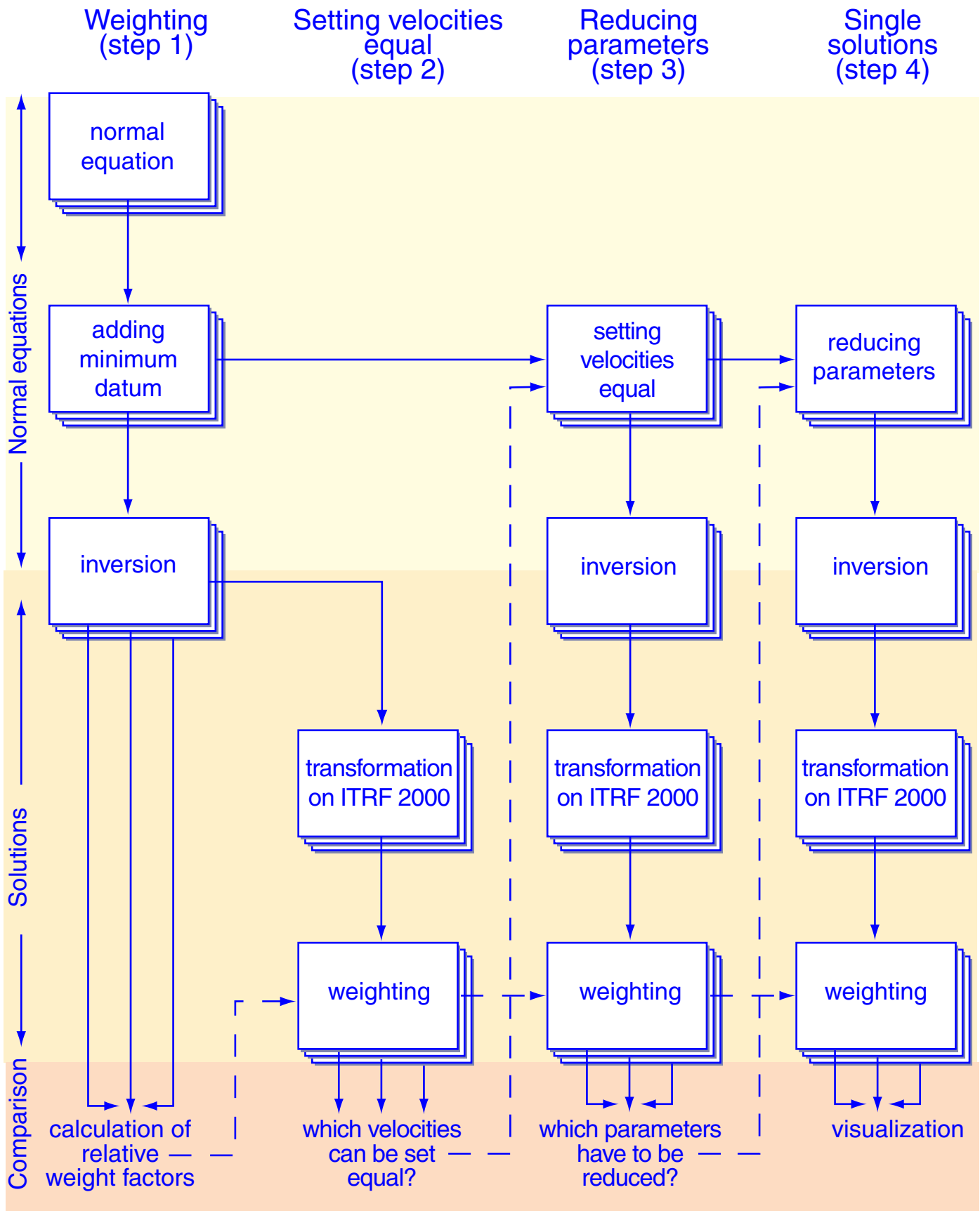
	<i>IGN</i>	<i>GRGS</i>
Tx [cm]	-1,14	1,57
Ty [cm]	0,0	0,47
Tz [cm]	-1,86	-8,49
Sc [ppm]	$-0,0038 \triangleq -2,44 \text{ cm}$	$0,007 \triangleq 4,5 \text{ cm}$

## Velocities:

	<i>IGN</i>	<i>GRGS</i>
Tx [cm]	-0,01	-0,06
Ty [cm]	-0,12	-0,09
Tz [cm]	0,11	-0,15
Sc [ppm]	0,00	$0,00029 \triangleq 0,18 \text{ cm}$



# Intra - technique Comparison



# Datum definition

- Minimum constraints
  - No net rotation and no net translation conditions
  - On station coordinates and velocities
  - Depending on the degrees of freedom of the normal equation
- A subset of good stations was used to define the datum conditions
- The condition equations were added as pseudo observations to the normal equations.

# Weighting

- The niveau of the standard deviations might be (slightly) different for the individual solutions (e.g. due to different weighting models, model deficiencies, ...)
- To make sure that a single solution does not dominate the intra-technique combined solution it is essential to calibrate them against each other
- We compute for each single solution mean standard deviations for the positions by using a subset of good stations and use the resulting numbers for the computation of relative scaling factors.

# Relative Weight

	$\sigma^2$
GRGS	1,0
IGN	0,2

# Setting velocities equal

- On sites where more than one station of the same technique has observed, the velocity estimates should be identical, if the site motions are identical and systematic effects negligible.
- In reality these assumptions are not fulfilled for a number of sites (e.g. due to earthquakes, changes in instrumentation, ...)
- Therefore the velocities of different occupations should not automatically be identical.
- We use the ratios of the difference in velocities divided by the corresponding standard deviations to decide whether velocities should be set equal or not.



Occupations	Site	IGN		
		$\Delta_{\text{vel}}$	$\sigma_{\text{vel}}$	$\Delta/\sigma$
12329S001/12	Sakhalins		10.6	2.3
12329S001/13			13.5	2.3
12329S001/23			12.8	3.6
12349S001/12	Krasnoyarsk		18.0	2.7
12602S011/12	<u>Dionysos</u>		<u>17.8</u>	<u>1.9</u>
23501S001/12	Colombo		4.9	3.5
40503S004/12	Socorro Island		205.9	3.8
42202S005/12	<u>Arequipa</u>		<u>46.0</u>	<u>5.0</u>

Tab. 2: Equation DORIS velocities

## Reducing parameters

- Descrepancies in the station coordinates or velocities between different (single-) solutions can lead to deformations in the combined intra-technique network.
- Therefore it is essential to identify possible outliers in the individual solutions.
- We implemented an iterative method for the outlier detection.
- Criteria are the absolute difference of a parameter in a single solution with respect to the other solutions and the ratio of this difference devided by the corresponding standard deviation.

## Recommendations

- Report constraints in SINEX files (SOLUTION / MATRIX-APRIORI or SOLUTION/APRIORI) and/or submit unconstrained normal equations
- Define a subset of DORIS "core stations" that can be used for datum definition, transformation, etc.
- Velocities of different occupations at the same site should not be set equal
- Reference list for DORIS site information (dome number, 4-char-ID, epochs, solution numbers, ...)
- Report solution statistics block (degrees of freedom, ...) in SINEX files